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SUBJECT: SECRETARY KISSINGER'S LETTER TO FONMIN RAMPHAL

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1. I DELIVERED TEXT OF SECRETARY KISSINGER'S LETTER TO RAMPHAL YESTERDAY MORNING (MAY 8). HE WAS FASCINATED WITH PROMPTNESS OF REPLY TO HIS MESSAGE AND PLEASED WITH CONTENT.

2. RAMPHAL WAS MORE RELAXED THAN AT OUR FIRST MEETING ON APRIL 27. HE HAS APPARENTLY RESTED UP AND HIS WIFE HAS PUT HIM ON STRICT DIET, SANS ALCOHOL.

3. IN 90 MINUTE CONVERSATION WITH ENSUED, WE COVERED A NUMBER OF TOPICS WHICH I AM REPORTING SEPARATELY. HOWEVER, AS REGARDS INVITATION TO VISIT GUYANA, RAMPHAL AGAIN DISPLAYED THE EARNESTNESS OF OUR EARLIER TALK. HE MADE SURE I UNDERSTOOD THAT PM BURNHAM IS AS MUCH INTERESTED IN HAVING SECRETARY COME TO GUYANA AS RAMPHAL. HE DID SHOW A FULL AWARENESS OF THE COMPLEXITIES AND CONFLICTING DEMANDS ATTENDANT ON PLANNING TRIP TO LATIN AMERICA, BUT BALANCED ALL THIS AGAINST STRONG DESIRABILITY OF INCLUDING AN ENGLISH SPEAKING CARIBBEAN CAPITAL ON ITINERARY. I SUGGESTED POSSIBILITY OF HAVING SOME OR ALL OF OTHER CARICOM FONMINS HERE AT SAME TIME. RAMPHAL SAID THIS WOULD PROBABLY RUN AFOUL OF FACT THAT IT IS JAMAICA'S TURN THIS YEAR TO HOST ANNUAL MEETING OF CARICOM FONMINS, AND, TO SOME EDZENT, OF RAMPHAL'S DESIRE TO KEEP VISIT RELAXED, LOW-KEYED, AND

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ALLOW AMPLE TIME FOR SECRETARY AND BURNHAM TO GET TO KNOW

EACH OTHER. HOWEVER, HE SAID HE WOULD DO SOME FURTHER EXPLORING ALONG THESE LINES.

4. WHILE ON SUBJECT OF VIP TRAVELS, RAMPHAL SAID HE IS WORKING ON PLANS FOR BURNHAM TO TRAVEL LATER THIS YEAR. PM HAS LONG-STANDING INVITATION TO VISIT CHINA, AND WANTS TO COMBINE THIS WITH STOPS IN OTHER COUNTRIES. RAMPHAL WANTS PM TO GET BETTER PERSPECTIVE OF SOCIALISM AND NON-ALIGNMENT THAN HAS BEEN AFFORDED BY HIS RECENT TRAVELS. RAMPHAL WOULD LIKE TO SEE BURHAM VISIT SWEDEN, RUMANIA AND UK (I.E., UNDER LABOR GOVT., BURNHAM AND HEATH JUST DIDN'T HIT IT OFF). RAMPHAL SAID PM WANTS TO BE OUT OF COUNTRY FOR RELATIVELY SHORT PERIOD, BUT PRESUMABLY COULD MAKE TWO TRIPS OF 10-15 DAYS EACH. RAMPHAL IS THINKING OF CHINA AND SWEDEN ON INITIAL SWING, WITH RUMANIA AND UK FOR SECOND. TIME FRAME WOULD BE OCTOBER-DECEMBER.

5. RAMPHAL ALSO DROPPED BROAD HINT THAT INVITATION TO PM TO VISIT US MIGHT BE WELCOME AT LATER STAGE. HE SAID IT HAS BEEN NUMBER OF YEARS SINCE PM VISITED U.S. AND HE THOUGHT IT WOULD BE HELPFUL IF PM COULD SEE FIRST-HAND EVIDENCE OF EVOLUTION IN AMERICAN THINKING AND WAY OF LIFE. KREBS

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